



In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,334,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 23,300 in Arizona.
- 556,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 9,700 in Arizona.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons²

Arizona: 178.9 National: 202.3

Arizona ranks 47th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 3,000 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Arizona.
- 2,700 men and women will die of lung cancer in Arizona.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Arizona	National
Overall	49.3	56.8
White	50.3	56.7
Black	62.1	66.4
Hispanic	27.6	25.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	25.4	28.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	11.0	37.2

BREAST CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 3,900 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Arizona.
- 700 women will die of breast cancer in Arizona.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Arizona	National
Overall	25.2	27.7
White	25.7	27.2
Black	33.2	35.9
Hispanic	20.1	17.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	12.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	11.5	14.9

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 2,500 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Arizona.
- 1,000 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Arizona.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Arizona	National
Overall	17.8	21.2
White	17.9	20.7
Black	26.3	28.5
Hispanic	15.7	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	18.1	13.1
American Indian/Alaska Native	9.1	14.7

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 4,300 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Arizona.
- 600 men will die of prostate cancer in Arizona.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Arizona	National
Overall	28.2	32.9
White	28.0	30.2
Black	68.0	73.0
Hispanic	28.9	24.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	16.6	21.9

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2003. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2003. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. Arizona death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1996–2000. Death ratesare per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.